

December 11, 2001

EX PARTE

Ms. Magalie Roman Salas
Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, S.W.
Washington, D.C. 20554

**Re: CS Docket No. 01-7, Nondiscrimination in the
Distribution of Interactive Television Services Over Cable**

Dear Ms. Salas:

On November 6, 2001, Daniel L. Brenner, Neal M. Goldberg and I, representing the National Cable & Telecommunications Association ("NCTA"), met with Barbara Esbin, Nancy Stevenson, Ben Golant, Michael Lance and Priya Shrinivasan of the Cable Services Bureau to discuss the issues raised in the Notice of Inquiry in the above-referenced proceeding. We reiterated the arguments and points set forth in NCTA's Comments and Reply Comments. In particular, NCTA emphasized that it is wholly inappropriate and unwarranted even to think about, much less to propose, imposing common-carrier type regulation on interactive television services.

Very truly yours,

/s/ **Michael S. Schooler**

Michael S. Schooler

MSS:mw

cc: Barbara Esbin
Ben Golant
Michael Lance
Priya Shrinivasan
Nancy Stevenson